Attorney Docket No. 693-020con

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of   Examiner: Tran

    Billings   Group Art Unit: 2821

Serial No.:   10/027,776

Filed: December 20, 2001

For: LAMP BALLAST FOR REDUCING
           INTERFERENCE CURRENT

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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

      In connection with the above-referenced application, and in response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

      Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

      Amendment to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

      Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

      An **Appendix** included amended drawing is attached following page 11 of this paper.

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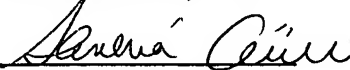
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Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached Amendment, Amendment Transmittal, and Return Postcard along with any

paper(s) referred to as being attached or enclosed and this Certificate of Mailing are being deposited with the

United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope

addressed to the: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

[X]   No additional fee is required.

[ ]   The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Covered by Previous Payments	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims*	8	-	20	=	x $9.00	$ .00
Independent Claims	1	-	3	=	x $40.00	$ .00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s)	(If claims added by amendment include Multiple Dependent Claim(s) and there was no Multiple Dependent Claim(s) in application before amendment add $260.00 to additional fee.)					$_____
					Total:	$ .00

[ ]   Verified Statement of "Small Entity" Status Under 37 CFR § 1.27
        filed _____. Reduced Fees Under 37 CFR § 1.9(f)
        (50% of total) paid herewith. $_____

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*   Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c).

[ ]   Charge fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2825 . Order No. _____
        A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

[X]   The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this
        amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.19-2825. Order No. _693-020con_ .
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[ ]   ___ Page(s) of substitute Sequence Listing

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[ ]   Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.825(b) that the computer and paper copies of the substitute Sequence
        Listing are the same.

[ ]   A check in the amount of $ .00 to cover the filing fee is attached.

                                                Respectfully submitted,

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